

their salaries and duties, to prevent unjust discrimination and extortion in the rates charged for transportation of freight and passengers in this State, and to provide a mode of procedure in relation thereto," approved April 10, 1883," was laid before the Senate in its regular order.

Read third time and passed by the following vote:

## YEAS—20.

Bell,	Getzendaner,	Randolph,
Calhoun,	Glasscock,	Shannon,
Camp,	Johnson,	Stinson,
Douglass,	Kilgore,	Terrell,
Evans,	Knittel,	Traylor,
Farrar,	Perry,	Woods.
Fowler,	Pfeuffer,	

## NAYS—6.

Davis,	Hall,	Kleberg,
Garrison	Houston of Wheeler,	Pope.

Senate substitute for House bill No. 4, "An act to amend article 2402, title 42, chapter 30, of the Revised Statutes of the State of Texas," was taken up in its regular order and passed.

House bill No. 15, "An act to amend sections 4 and 16 of 'an act for the protection of the wool growing interests of the State of Texas,' approved April 4, 1883," was taken up in its regular order and read second time.

Senator Hall offered to amend by exempting Webb and Encinal counties.

Senator Stinson offered to amend by adding Hunt and Hopkins counties.

Accepted.

Senator Garrison moved to add Rusk county.

Accepted.

Senator Getzendaner offered to amend by adding Ellis county.

Accepted.

The amendment of Senator Hall, as amended, was adopted.

Senator Calhoun offered the following amendment:

Strike out "fifty dollars" where it alludes to the maximum total that may be paid an inspector and insert "one hundred dollars."

On motion of Senator Bell,

Further action on the bill was postponed, and it was made the special order for to-morrow after the special orders of the morning call.

The President laid before the Senate a telegram received by the Governor from Director-General Burke, inviting the members of the Nineteenth Legislature to visit the World's Exposition at New Orleans.

Substitute House bill No. 27, "An act to authorize the transfer of occupation licenses," was taken up in its regular order and read second time.

On motion of Senator Terrell,

The Senate adjourned till 10 o'clock to-morrow morning.

## NINETEENTH DAY.

SENATE CHAMBER,  
AUSTIN, February 3, 1885. }

The Senate met pursuant to adjournment.  
Lieutenant-Governor Gibbs in the chair.  
Roll called.

Quorum present.

Prayer by the Chaplain; Dr. Smoot.

On motion of Senator Peacock,

The reading of the journal of yesterday was dispensed with.

## REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES.

By Senator Fowler:

COMMITTEE ROOM,  
AUSTIN, February 3, 1885.

Hon. Barnett Gibbs, President of the Senate:

Your Committee on Judicial Districts, to whom was referred House bill No. 51, entitled "An act to restore the jurisdiction of the county court of Grimes county," have carefully examined the same, and instruct me to report the same back with the recommendation that it do pass.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

FOWLER, Chairman.

By Senator Perry:

COMMITTEE ROOM,  
AUSTIN, February 2, 1885.

Hon. Barnett Gibbs, President of the Senate:

Your Committee on Roads and Bridges, to whom was referred Senate bill No. 153, entitled, "An act to amend article 4360 of an act entitled 'an act to amend articles 4360, 4361, 4366, 4367, 4370, 4371, 4372, 4375, 4379, 4384, 4387, 4389 and 4390, of title 87, chapter 1, and to add thereto articles 4390a, 4390b and 4390c, and also to amend article 4392 of chapter 2, and article 4418, of chapter 4, title 87 of the Revised Civil Statutes, relating to public roads, and to enforce the provisions of article 4390a of this bill and provide adequate penalties therefor,' passed by the Eighteenth Legislature at its regular session," have carefully examined the same, and a majority of said committee instruct me to report it back with the recommendation that it do pass. The object of the bill is to eliminate from the present law the arbitrary feature which prohibited roads from being changed or altered, unless they can be straightened, and relegates the question of opening, altering or changing the public roads to the commissioners' courts of the several counties where such matters can be settled according to the wishes of the people who are directly interested in the matter.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

PERRY, Chairman.

By Senator Kilgore:

COMMITTEE ROOM,  
AUSTIN, February 3, 1885.

Hon. Barnett Gibbs, President of the Senate:

Your Committee on Constitutional Amendments, to whom was referred Senate joint resolution No. 2, proposing to amend sections 2, 5 and 7 of article 5 of the Constitution of the State of Texas, have carefully examined the same, and a majority of the committee instruct me to report the same back to the Senate with the recommendation that it lie on the table.

Respectfully submitted.

KILGORE, Chairman.

COMMITTEE ROOM,  
AUSTIN, February 3, 1885.

Hon. Barnett Gibbs, President of the Senate:

Your Committee on Constitutional Amendments, to whom was referred Senate joint resolution No. 4, proposing to amend article 6; section 1 of the Constitution of the State of Texas, have carefully examined the same, and a majority of the committee instruct me to report the same back with the recommendation that it lie on the table, because the Senate has already taken action upon a resolution relating to the same subject.

Respectfully submitted.

KILGORE, Chairman.

COMMITTEE ROOM,  
AUSTIN, February 3, 1885.

Hon. Barnett Gibbs, President of the Senate:

Your Committee on Constitutional Amendments, to whom was referred Senate joint resolution No. 6, "Proposing to amend section 3, article 5 of the Constitution of the State of Texas," have carefully examined the same, and a majority of the committee instruct me to report the same back to the Sen-

ate with the recommendation that it lie on the table subject to call.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

KILGORE, Chairman.

#### BILLS AND RESOLUTION.

By Senator Pope:

"An act to amend section 4 of chapter 67 of general laws of the State of Texas, passed at regular session of Eighteenth Legislature."

Referred to Committee on Judicial Districts.

By Senator Taylor:

"An act to amend article 352, chapter 1, title 6 of the Code of Criminal Procedure, relating to the appointment and qualification of jury commissioners."

Referred to Judiciary Committee No. 2.

By Senator Calhoun:

"An act to amend articles 151 and 158, chapter 2, title 6 of the Penal Code of the State of Texas."

Referred to Judiciary Committee No. 2.

Senator Randolph offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That Judiciary Committee No. 1 be requested to prepare a bill prohibiting the sale of bogus butter in this State.

Adopted.

By Senator Bell:

COMMITTEE ROOM,  
AUSTIN, February 3, 1885.

Hon. Barnett Gibbs, President of the Senate:

Your Committee on Engrossed Bills have carefully examined and compared Senate bill No. 14, being "An act to amend article 685 of the Code of Criminal Procedure," and find the same correctly engrossed.

BELL, Chairman.

Senate bill No. 136, "An act for the relief of W. Salyer, and to validate 'donation warrant No. 509,' was laid before the Senate as a special order, and read second time and ordered engrossed.

Senate bill No. 63, "An act to provide for the investment of the permanent public free school funds of the counties," was taken up as a special order and read second time.

The first committee amendment was adopted.

The second committee amendment was adopted.

The third committee amendment was adopted.

Senator Davis offered to amend by adding after State," in fifth line, section 1, "in the bonds of the cities and towns of this State, issued for the erection of school houses and other public buildings."

Adopted.

Senator Kilgore offered to amend by striking out all after the word "buildings," in line —, section 1.

Lost by the following vote:

YEAS—10.

Camp,  
Evans,  
Garrison,  
Harrison,

Kilgore,  
Peacock,  
Pope,

Stinson,  
Traylor,  
Woods.

NAYS—15.

Bell,  
Calhoun,  
Davis,  
Farrar,  
Fowler,

Getzendaner,  
Glasscock,  
Houston of Wheeler,  
Johnson,  
Kleberg,

Knittel,  
Perry,  
Pfeuffer,  
Randolph,  
Terrell.

ABSENT, NOT VOTING.

Hall,  
Houston of Bexar,

Jerdone,  
Jones.

Senator Getzendaner offered to amend by substi-

tuting the word "funds" instead of the word "moneys," in line 4, section 1.

Adopted.

Senator Davis offered to amend by adding "city or town" after the word "county," in line 10, page 2, section 5.

Adopted.

Senator Getzendaner offered to amend by adding before the word "public" the word "permanent," in line 3, section 1.

Adopted.

Senator Kilgore offered the following amendment:

Amend by adding to section 1 the following words: "But no portion of such money shall ever be loaned by the commissioners' court to any person related by affinity or consanguinity to any member of said court."

Adopted, and

The bill ordered engrossed by the following vote:

YEAS—17.

Bell,  
Calhoun,  
Davis,  
Farrar,  
Garrison,  
Getzendaner,

Glasscock,  
Harrison,  
Houston of Bexar,  
Houston of Wheeler,  
Johnson,  
Kleberg,

Knittel,  
Pfeuffer,  
Randolph,  
Terrell,  
Traylor.

NAYS—8.

Camp,  
Evans,  
Kilgore,

Peacock,  
Perry,  
Pope,

Stinson,  
Woods.

ABSENT, NOT VOTING.

Fowler,  
Hall,

Jerdone,  
Jones.

House bill No. 15, "An act to amend sections 4 and 16 of 'an act for the protection of the wool growing interests of the State of Texas,' approved April 4, 1883," was taken up as unfinished postponed business from yesterday.

The amendment of Senator Calhoun was adopted.

Senator Terrell moved to exempt Dallas and Rockwall counties.

Senator Johnson moved to amend by adding Collin and Denton counties.

Accepted.

Senator Evans offered to amend by adding the county of Fannin.

Accepted.

The amendment as amended was adopted and the bill passed to third reading.

On motion of Senator Randolph,

The order of business was suspended and House bill No. 51, "An act to restore the jurisdiction of the county court of Grimes county" was taken up.

On motion of Senator Randolph,

The constitutional rule was suspended and bill placed on its second reading by the following vote:

YEAS—20.

Bell,  
Calhoun,  
Camp,  
Davis,  
Evans,  
Farrar,  
Fowler,  
Garrison,  
Getzendaner,

Glasscock,  
Harrison,  
Houston of Bexar,  
Houston of Wheeler,  
Johnson,  
Kilgore,  
Kleberg,  
Knittel,  
Peacock,

Perry,  
Pfeuffer,  
Pope,  
Randolph,  
Stinson,  
Terrell,  
Traylor,  
Woods.

NAYS—none.

ABSENT, NOT VOTING.

Hall,

Jerdone,  
Jones.

The bill was read second time and passed to third reading.

On motion of Senator Randolph, the constitutional rule was suspended, and the bill was put on its third reading, by the following vote:

YEAS—26.

Bell,	Glasscock,	Perry,
Calhoun,	Harrison,	Pfeuffer,
Camp,	Houston of Bexar,	Pope,
Davis,	Houston of Wheeler,	Randolph,
Evans,	Johnson,	Stinson,
Farrar,	Kilgore,	Terrell,
Fowler,	Kleberg,	Traylor,
Garrison,	Knittel,	Woods.
Getzendaner,	Peacock,	

NAYS—none.

ABSENT, NOT VOTING.

Hall,	Jerdone,	Jones.
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Bill read third time and passed by the following vote:

YEAS—26.

Bell,	Glasscock,	Perry,
Calhoun,	Harrison,	Pope,
Camp,	Houston of Bexar,	Randolph,
Davis,	Houston of Wheeler,	Shannon,
Evans,	Johnson,	Stinson,
Farrar,	Kilgore,	Terrell,
Fowler,	Kleberg,	Traylor,
Garrison,	Knittel,	Woods.
Getzendaner,	Peacock,	

NAYS—none.

ABSENT, NOT VOTING.

Hall,	Jerdone,	Jones.
Pfeuffer,		

The following message was received from the House:

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,  
AUSTIN, February 3, 1885.

Hon. Barnett Gibbs, President of the Senate:

I am instructed to report to your honorable body the passage by the House of House bill No. 10, "An act to amend articles 1204 and 1289, title 29 of the Revised Civil Statutes of the State of Texas."

A. D. SADLER, Chief Clerk.

Referred to Judiciary Committee No. 1.

Senator Woods, by leave, sent up the following minority report on Senate bill No. 153:

COMMITTEE ROOM,  
AUSTIN, February 2, 1885.

Hon. Barnett Gibbs, President of the Senate:

A minority of your Committee on Roads and Bridges, to whom was referred Senate bill No. 153, entitled "An act to amend article 4369 of an act entitled 'an act to amend articles 4360, 4361, 4366, 4367, 4370, 4371, 4372, 4375, 4379, 4384, 4387, 4389 and 4390 of title 87, chapter 1, and to add thereto articles 4390a, 4390b and 4390c, and also to amend article 4392 of chapter 2 and article 4418 of chapter 4, title 87, of the Revised Civil Statutes, relating to public roads, and to enforce the provisions of article 4390 of the bill, and to provide adequate penalties therefor,' passed by the Eighteenth Legislature at its called session," have carefully examined the same, and recommend that it do not pass. Before the passage of the law which the bill proposes to amend, persons could and did apply to the commissioners' court to change nearly all the roads in the agricultural portion of the State, and said applications were in nearly every case granted. That the law is a protection to the commissioners' court and the general public. Were it not for the law which this bill proposes to change, roads throughout the State would be changed so that the distance to be traveled would be much greater than now, thereby adding great expense to all those who travel the public roads.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

WOODS,  
HARRISON.

The following message was received from the House:

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,  
AUSTIN, February 3, 1885.

Hon. Barnett Gibbs, President of the Senate:

I am instructed to inform your honorable body of the passage of

Senate bill, No. 115, "An act to amend section 24 of an act to redistrict the State in judicial districts, and fix the times for holding courts therein," etc., approved April 9, 1883.

A. D. SADLER, Chief Clerk.

On motion of Senator Kleberg, Senator Houston of Bexar was excused from attendance yesterday, and Senator Jones to-day.

On motion of Senator Fowler, Senator Peacock was excused from attendance yesterday.

On motion of Senator Randolph, Senator Hall was excused for the remainder of the week.

On motion of Senator Davis, Senate bill No. 31, "An act to regulate reservations in sale of personal property," was taken up out of its regular order.

Read second time and ordered engrossed.

On motion of Senator Johnson, Senate bill No. 48, "An act to prevent parties from hunting or fishing on the enclosed land of another, and to prescribe a penalty therefor," was taken up out of its regular order and read a second time, with committee substitute.

The substitute was adopted.

Senator Getzendaner offered the following amendment:

Provided, however, that the owner or proprietor of such inclosed premises shall have first given notice that he will claim such protection, the notice to be either published in some newspaper published in the county where the land is situated, or posted at three public places in the county, one of which shall be at the court house of the county where the premises is so situated, twenty days previous to the time when he may claim such protection, and shall also erect and keep standing posts at the corners of such enclosure and at the principal entrance thereto upon which shall be attached a board plainly marked "posted."

Adopted.

Senator Traylor offered the following amendment to section 1:

Provided, this act shall not apply to enclosures of over 640 acres.

Senator Perry offered to amend the amendment as follows:

By striking out 640 acres and inserting 1280 acres.

Lost.

The amendment of Senator Traylor was lost by the following vote:

YEAS—5.

Camp,	Houston of Bexar,	Traylor.
Fowler,	Peacock,	

NAYS—20.

Bell,	Getzendaner,	Perry,
Calhoun,	Glasscock,	Pope,
Davis,	Harrison,	Randolph,
Douglass,	Houston of Wheeler,	Stinson,
Evans,	Johnson,	Terrell,
Farrar,	Kilgore,	Woods.
Garrison,	Knittel,	

Senator Calhoun offered the following amendment:

That the counties of Stephens, Shackelford, Jones, Fisher, Scurry, Borden, Dawson, Gaines, Andrews, Eastland, Callahan, Taylor, Nolan, Mitchell, Howard, Martin, Comanche, Brown, Coleman, Runnels, San Saba, McCulloch and Concho be, and the same are hereby, exempted from the operation of this act.

Senator Houston of Wheeler offered the following amendment to the amendment:

Amend section — by adding the counties of Montague, Clay, Young, Throckmorton, Haskell, Baylor, Archer, Wilbarger, Wichita, Hardeman, Donley, Wheeler and Oldham, and the counties attached to them for judicial purposes are exempt from the provisions of this act.

Accepted.

Senator Kleberg offered to amend by inserting Galveston county.

Accepted.

Senator Peacock offered to amend by exempting the counties of Bowie, Cass, Marion, Morris and Titus.

Accepted.

Senator Randolph moved to exempt Angelina, Grimes, Houston, Leon and Madison counties.

Accepted.

The amendment of Senator Calhoun was adopted by the following vote:

YEAS—14.

Bell,	Houston of Wheeler,	Pope,
Calhoun,	Johnson,	Randolph,
Camp,	Kleberg,	Stinson,
Davis,	Knittel,	Terrell.
Glasscock,	Peacock,	

NAYS—11.

Douglass,	Getzendaner,	Perry,
Evans,	Harrison,	Traylor.
Farrar,	Houston of Bexar,	Woods.
Garrison	Kilgore,	

ABSENT, NOT VOTING.

Jerdone.

Senator Traylor offered the following amendment:

In line 6, after the word "artificial," add "or gather pecans upon such land," and amend the caption to correspond.

Adopted.

Senator Glasscock offered the following amendment to section 1:

Amend by adding after the word "fish" in fifth line, the words "plums, grapes or any other wild or cultivated fruits."

Senator Davis offered the following substitute for the amendment:

Amend by adding. "or hunt chincapins or sweet gum."

Lost.

The amendment of Senator Glasscock was lost.

Senator Traylor offered the following:

Amend the section as follows: "Provided, this act shall not apply to any enclosure of over five thousand acres, when such enclosure has a public road through it."

Lost.

Senator Bell moved to reconsider the vote by which the amendment of Senator Glasscock was lost.

Adopted.

Senator Randolph offered to amend the amendment as follows:

Amend by inserting "pawpaws, persimmons, whortleberries and red haws; provided, not to apply to girls hunting such things."

Lost.

The amendment of Senator Glasscock was adopted by the following vote:

YEAS—10.

Bell,	Johnson,	Pfeuffer,
Calhoun,	Kilgore,	Pope,
Camp,	Kleberg,	Randolph,
Farrar,	Knittel,	Stinson,
Glasscock,	Peacock,	Terrell,
Harrison,	Perry,	Woods.
Houston of Bexar,		

NAYS—8.

Davis,	Fowler,	Houston of Wheeler,
Douglass,	Garrison,	Traylor
Evans,	Getzendaner,	

ABSENT, NOT VOTING.

Jerdone.

Senator Houston of Wheeler offered to amend by adding, after the word "pecans," the word "carp."

Lost.

Senator Pope asked to amend by adding "girls and boys who go chincapin hunting."

Lost.

Senator Pfeuffer offered the following:

Exempt the counties of Comal, Guadalupe, Blanco, Llano, Caldwell, Kendall and Hays from the effects of the law.

Lost.

The bill was ordered engrossed.

Senate bill No. 69, "An act establishing are formatory farm for youthful convicts," etc., was taken up in its regular order, read third time, and passed.

Senate bill No. 4, "An act to amend article 2514, chapter 5, title 47 of an act entitled 'an act to adopt and establish the Revised Civil Statutes of the State of Texas,'" was taken up in its regular order, read third time and passed by the following vote:

YEAS—23.

Bell,	Glasscock,	Perry,
Calhoun,	Harrison,	Pope,
Camp,	Houston of Bexar,	Randolph,
Davis,	Houston of Wheeler,	Stinson,
Evans,	Johnson,	Terrell,
Farrar,	Kilgore,	Traylor,
Fowler,	Kleberg,	Woods.
Garrison,	Peacock,	

NAYS—2.

Getzendaner,

Pfeuffer.

ABSENT NOT VOTING.

Jerdone,

Knittel.

On motion of Senator Evans,

The regular order of business was suspended and Senate bill No. 25, "An act to abolish the office of Fish Commissioner," etc., was taken up, and made special order for Wednesday, February 11, after the morning call.

On motion of Senator Houston of Wheeler:

Senate bill No. 141, "An act to amend articles 29 and 30 of the Code of Criminal Procedure of the State of Texas," was taken up, read second time, and ordered engrossed.

The President laid before the Senate an invitation to attend a musical concert at the Blind Asylum to-night.

On motion of Senator Bell,

Senate bill No. 132, "An act to define and punish the conversion of personal property by hirers, bor-

rowers and other bailees," was taken up out of its regular order, read second time and ordered engrossed.

On motion of Senator Kleberg,

Senate bill No. 61, "An act to protect stockraisers, providing for the destruction of wolves," etc., was taken up out of its regular order and read second time.

Senator Kleberg offered the following amendment:

Section 1. Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Texas, That hereafter when any person shall kill in this State any wolf, either "cayote" or "lobo," panther, Mexican lion, tiger, leopard or wild cat, he shall be paid by the county in which he kills such animal the sum of fifty cents for each cayote wolf or wild cat, and two dollars for each lobo wolf, panther, Mexican lion, tiger or leopard so killed.

Adopted.

Senator Getzendaner offered the following amendment:

Add, provided the counties of Ellis, Collins, Denton, Grayson, Cooke, Hunt, Hopkins, Camp, Franklin, Delta, are exempted from the provisions of this law.

Lost.

Senator Davis offered to amend by adding sheep-killing dogs.

Lost.

Senator Kleberg offered the following:

Amend by inserting after the word "dollars," in line 9, section 2, "or fifty cents in case the animal killed be a cayote wolf."

Adopted.

Senator Stinson offered to amend by adding coons and jack rabbits.

Lost, and

The bill was ordered engrossed by the following vote:

#### YEAS—17.

Bell,	Houston of Wheeler,	Pope,
Calhoun,	Kilgore,	Randolph,
Farrar,	Kleberg,	Tarrell,
Glasscock,	Knittel,	Traylor,
Harrison,	Perry,	Woods.
Houston of Bexar,	Pfeuffer,	

#### NAYS—9.

Camp,	Fowler,	Johnson,
Davis,	Garrison,	Peacock,
Evans,	Getzendaner,	Stinson.

ABSENT, NOT VOTING.

Jerdone,

Senate bill No. 14, "An act to amend article 635 of the Code of Criminal Procedure," was laid before the Senate on its third reading.

Senator Pope moved a call of the Senate.

The motion was seconded by the requisite number.

Senator Woods moved to suspend the call.

Motion declared out of order on point raised by Senator Pope.

The roll call was completed, and

Senator Jerdone was found absent without excuse.

Senator Woods moved to suspend the call.

The Senate refused to suspend the call, and

The pending business went to the table.

On motion of Senator Harrison,

Senate bill No. 59, "An act to provide for the registration of writs of attachments which have been levied upon land in the office of county clerk of the county where such land is situated," was taken up

out of its regular order and read second time with substitute.

The substitute was adopted.

On motion of Senator Bell,

Further action on the bill was postponed and the bill made a special order for to-morrow after the first special orders of the morning call.

The resolution of Senator Fowler, to-wit:

Be it resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives, That when a bill containing an "emergency clause" shall pass by less than a two-thirds vote, it shall be the duty of the Committee on Enrolled Bills to omit such clause from the enrolled copy of the same; and when the constitutional rule was not in fact suspended, said committee shall also omit the "public necessity clause," if any, in such bill,

was taken up and adopted.

On motion of Senator Pope,

The Senate adjourned till 10 o'clock to-morrow morning.

## TWENTIETH DAY.

SENATE CHAMBER,  
AUSTIN, TEXAS, February 4, 1885. }

The Senate met pursuant to adjournment.

Lieutenant-Governor Gibbs in the chair.

Roll called.

Quorum present.

Prayer by the Chaplain, Dr. Smoot.

On motion of Senator Perry,

The reading of the journal of yesterday was dispensed with.

## PETITIONS AND MEMORIALS.

By Senator Pfeuffer:

A petition from a committee of colored people, asking legislation on the jury law, county convict farms, houses of correction, colored branch university, and other matters.

Referred to Committee on State Affairs.

By Senator Harrison:

A petition from citizens of East Waco, asking the passage of some act to enforce article 4238 of the Revised Civil Statutes.

Referred to Committee on Internal Improvements.

## REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES.

By Senator Houston of Bexar:

COMMITTEE ROOM,  
AUSTIN, February 3, 1885.

Hon. Barnett Gibbs, President of the Senate:

Your Judiciary Committee No. 1, to whom was referred House bill No. 10, entitled "An act to amend articles 1204 and 1389 in title 29 of the Revised Civil Statutes of the State of Texas," have carefully examined the same, and a majority of the committee instruct me to report the same back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do not pass.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

HOUSTON of Bexar, Chairman.

COMMITTEE ROOM,  
AUSTIN, February 3, 1885.

Hon. Barnett Gibbs, President of the Senate:

Your Judiciary Committee No. 1, to whom was referred the petition of the city council of Brenham, asking the exemption of all volunteer firemen in active service from road duty, have carefully examined the same, and instruct me to report the same back to the Senate with the recommendation